Office of Educator Quality/Educator Preparation



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The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education is committed to ensuring new counselors are prepared to succeed. As part of that commitment, the survey is designed to provide feedback to preparation programs for continuous improvement. The survey is also used to collect data to hold preparation programs accountable as part of an Annual Performance Report for Counselor Preparation Programs that will serve as the basis for continuing approval.

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## First-Year Counselor Survey Data Spring 2024

**Sent** 276

Received 192

Response Rate 69.6%

#### **Supervisor Response Rate**

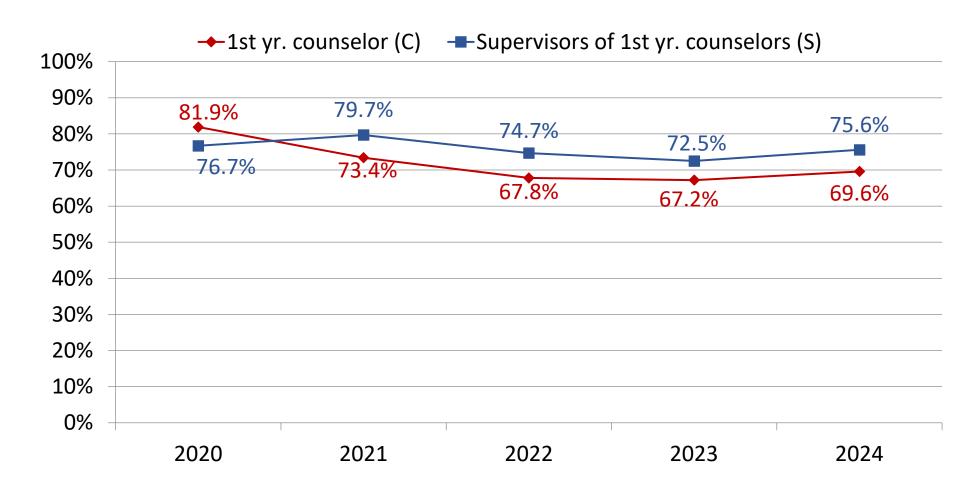
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### First-Year Counselor Survey Response Rates





### Top 3 Areas of Strongest Preparation \*

#### Counselor

- Practices interpersonal skills that contribute to a positive school climate
- Practices effective collaboration skills to develop professional relationships
- Practices in accordance with local school policies and procedures

#### Supervisor

- Practices in accordance with local school policies and procedures
- Practices in accordance with school counseling standards, participates in a school counselor mentoring program, and seeks consultation to guide practice
- Practices in accordance with professional ethical standards, seeks consultation for ethical decisionmaking, and communicates with administrators about the ethical standards of the school counseling profession (tie for 3rd)
- Practices in accordance with local, state, and federal statutory requirements and is able to demonstrate familiarity with legal resources (tie for 3rd)

<sup>\*</sup>These are the areas in which counselors and supervisors responded most often with "Agree" or "Strongly Agree"



#### **Bottom 3 Areas Identified for Improvement\***

#### Counselor

#### Prepared to implement my knowledge and understanding of the structural components of the district's comprehensive school counseling program

- Prepared to integrate and utilize technology for the delivery and management of the comprehensive school counseling program
- Prepared to apply knowledge of culturally appropriate, valid, and reliable assessments relevant to the comprehensive school counseling program (tie for 3rd)
- Used results-based evaluation procedures to promote, plan, design, implement, evaluate, and enhance a comprehensive school counseling program (tie for 3rd)

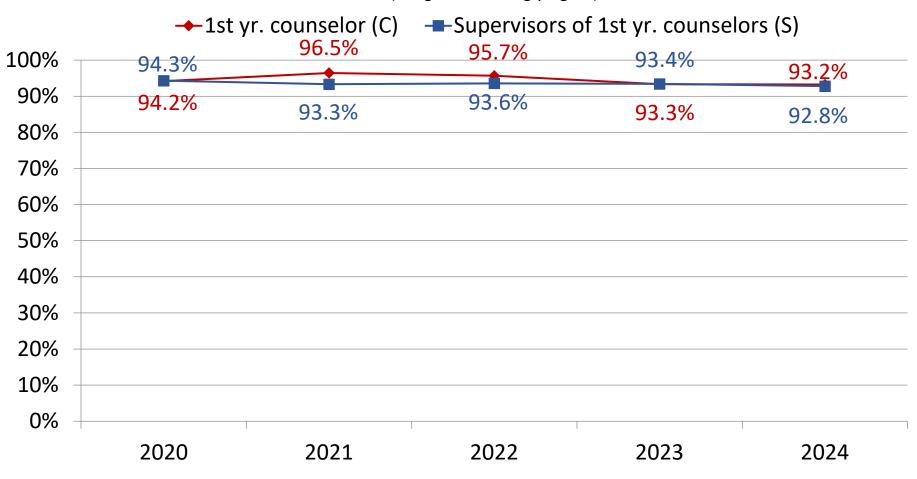
#### **Supervisor**

- Prepared to implement my knowledge and understanding of the structural components of the district's comprehensive school counseling program
- Used results-based evaluation procedures to promote, plan, design, implement, evaluate, and enhance a comprehensive school counseling program
- Used leadership and advocacy strategies for program management, evaluation, and enhancement

<sup>\*</sup>These are the areas in which counselors and supervisors responded least often with "Agree" or "Strongly Agree"

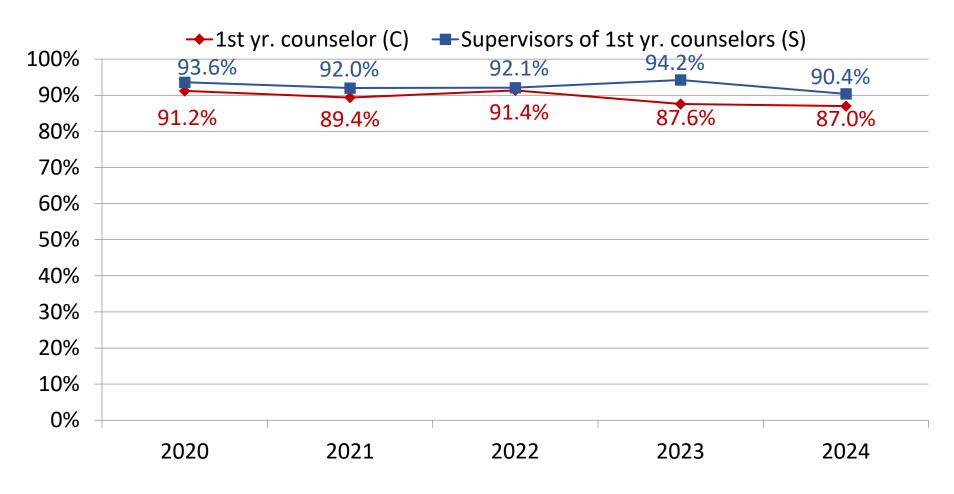
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### Prepared to apply knowledge of human development in my work with students



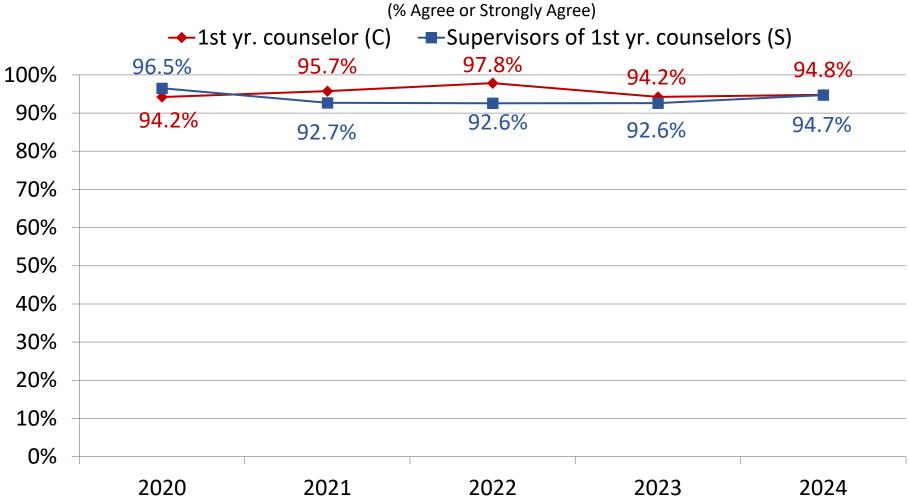


### Prepared to apply knowledge of counseling theories, techniques, and strategies through individual and/or group counseling





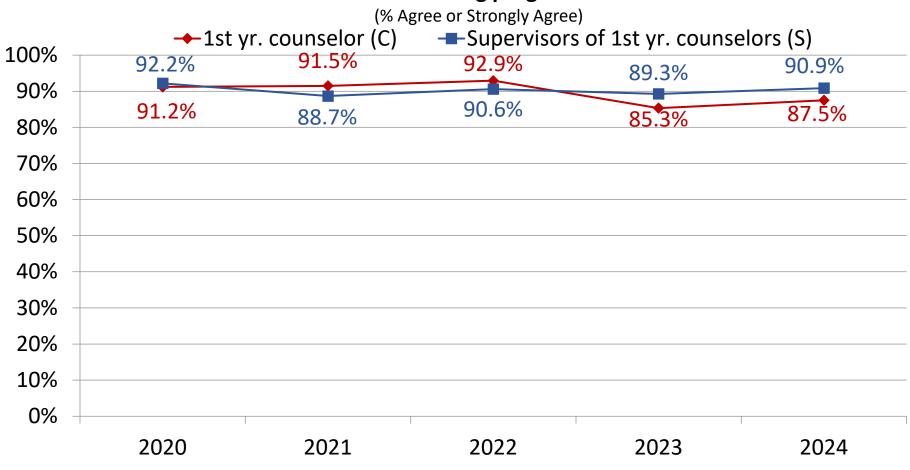
Prepared to use helping skills to develop healthy relationships with students through the implementation of the comprehensive school counseling program



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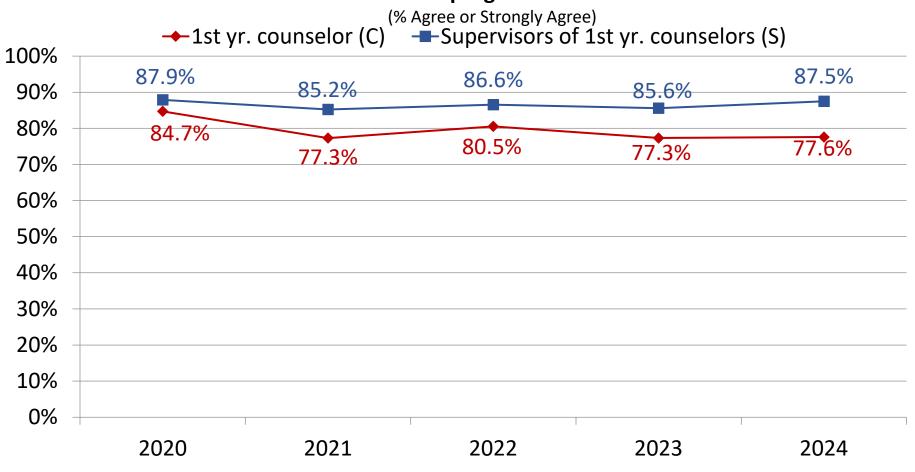
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## Prepared to integrate knowledge and understanding of social and cultural diversity issues in all areas of the comprehensive school counseling program



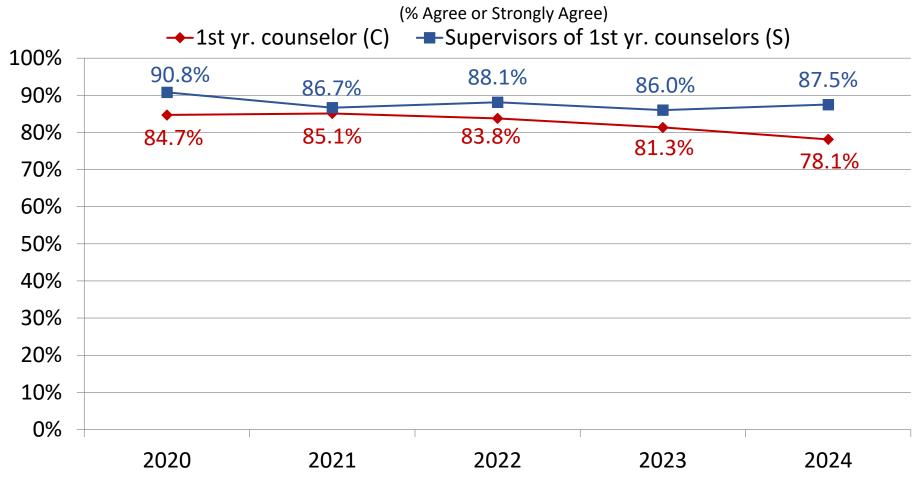


## Prepared to apply knowledge of culturally appropriate, valid, and reliable assessments relevant to the comprehensive school counseling program



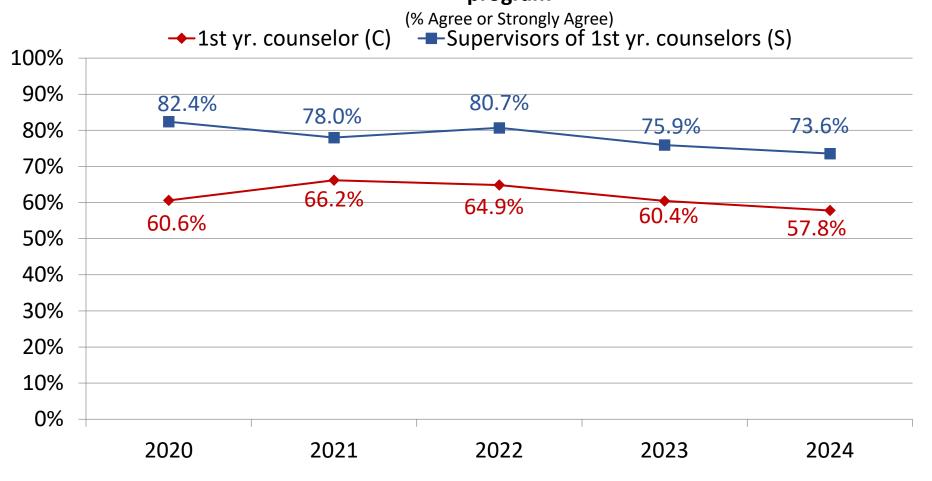


Prepared to apply knowledge of career development and planning through all areas of the comprehensive school counseling program including specified grade level expectations





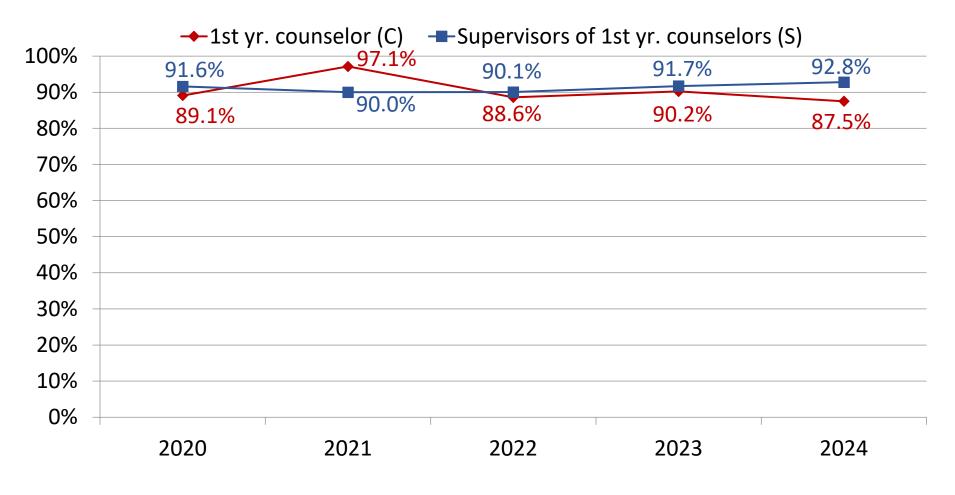
Prepared to implement my knowledge and understanding of the structural components of the district's comprehensive school counseling program



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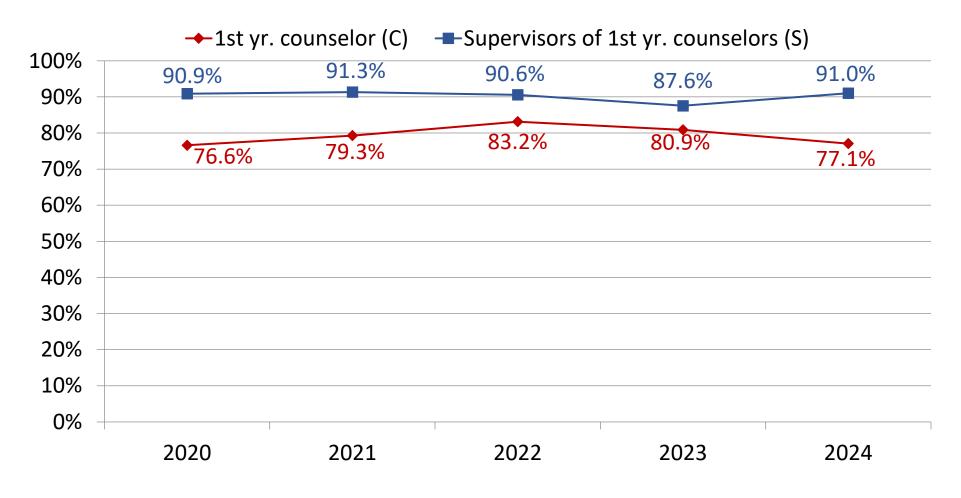
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### Prepared to provide all students with developmentally appropriate knowledge and skills defined by grade level expectations



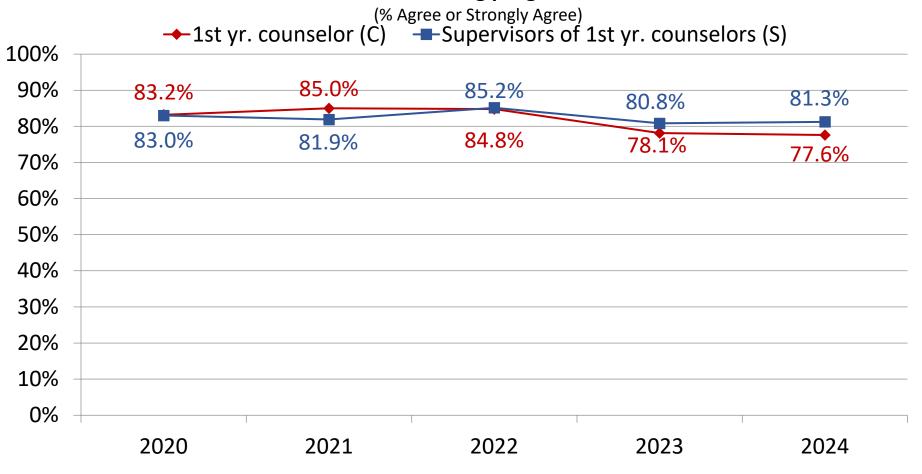


### Prepared to integrate and utilize technology for the delivery and management of the comprehensive school counseling program



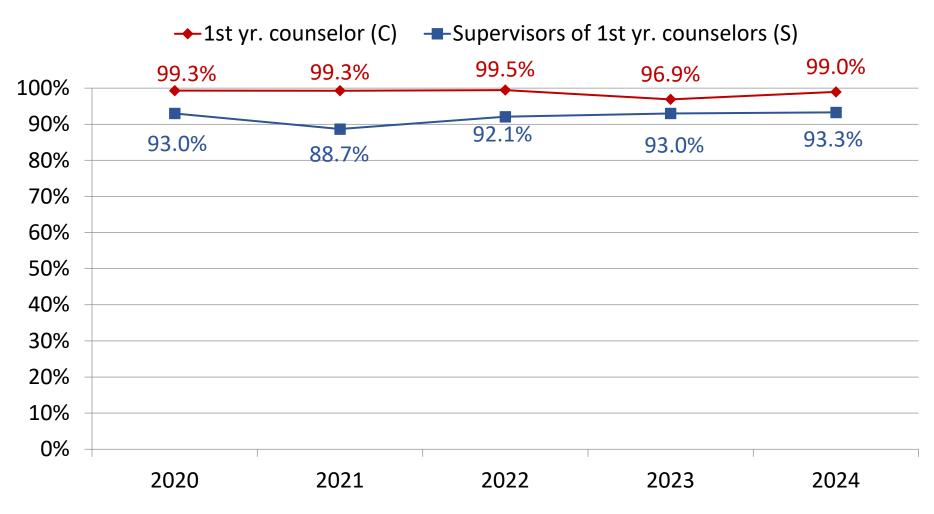


Able to use results-based evaluation procedures to promote, plan, design, implement, evaluate, and enhance a comprehensive school counseling program



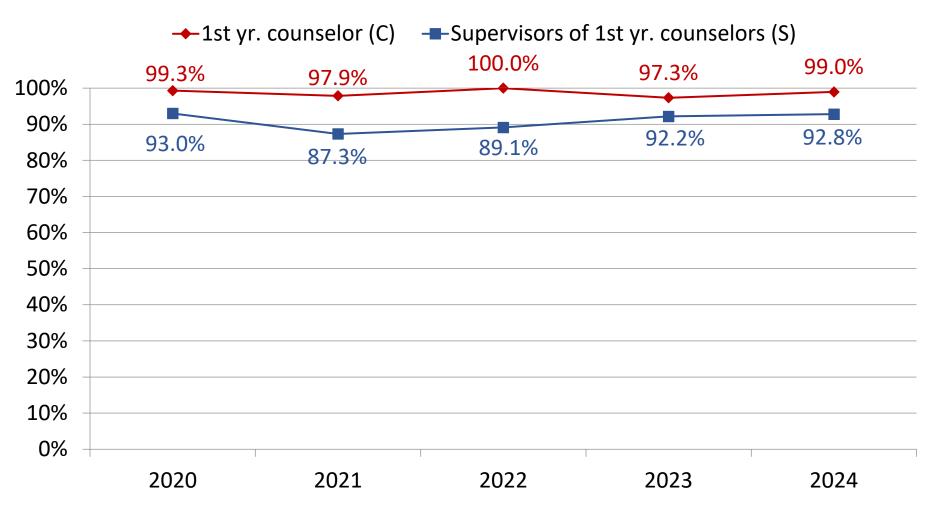


#### Use interpersonal skills that contribute to a positive school climate



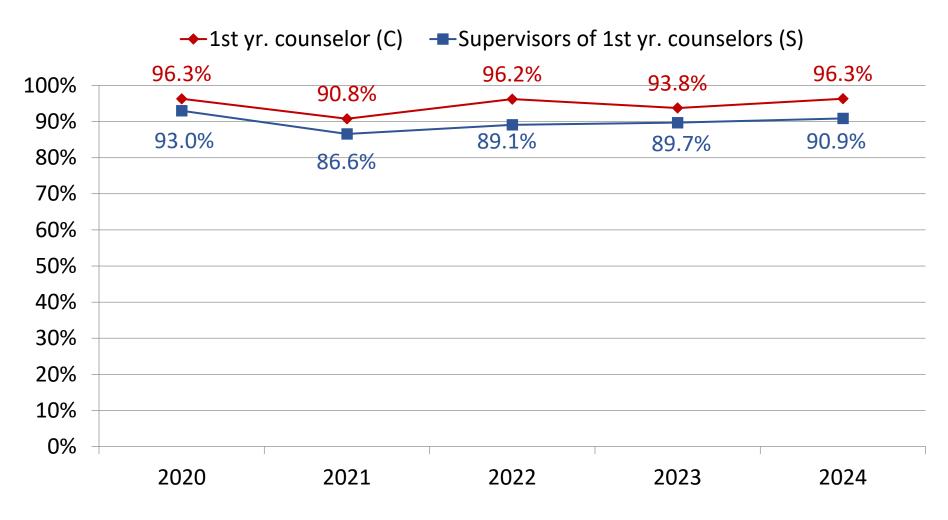


#### Use effective collaboration skills to develop professional relationships



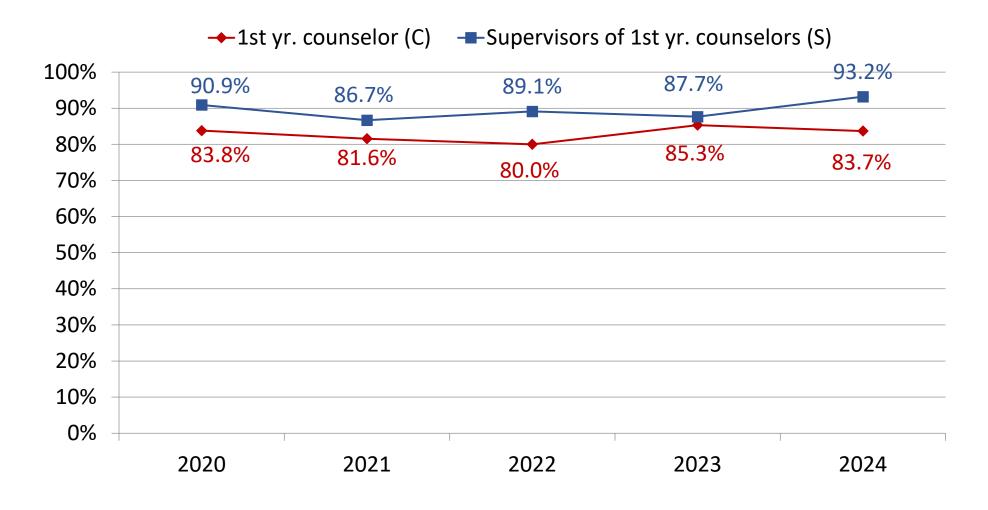


#### Prepared to use consultation skills to promote professional relationships



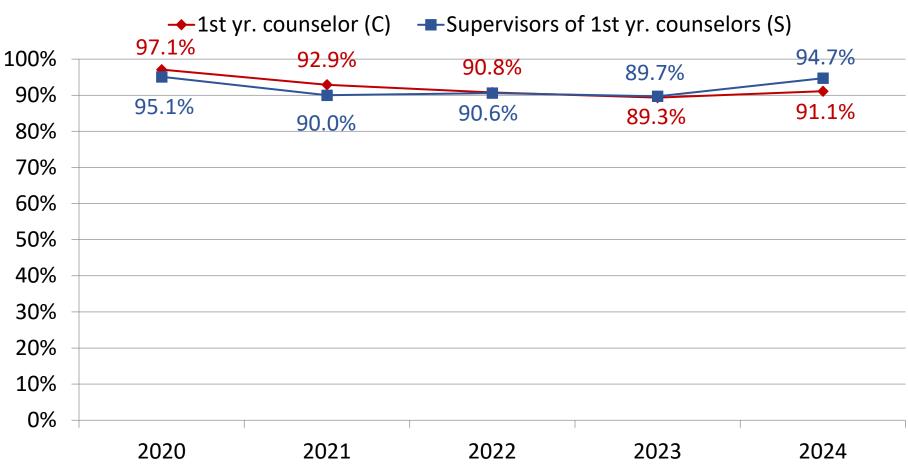


#### Prepared to access and contribute to community resources



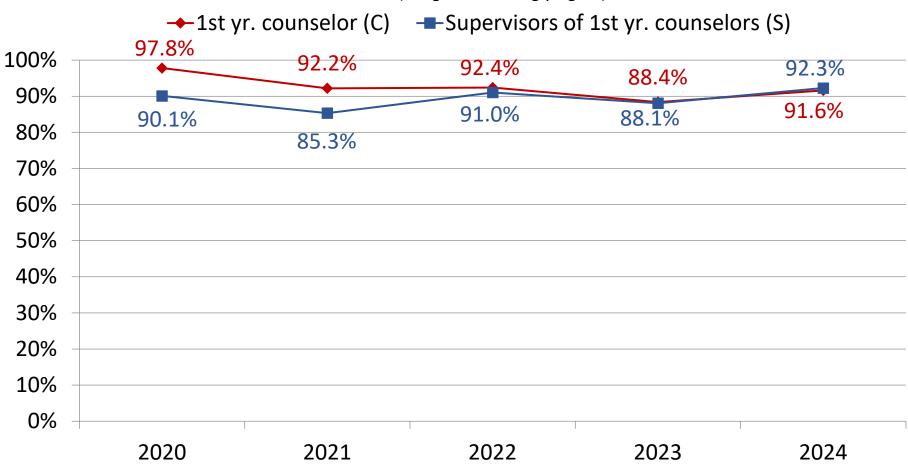
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### Apply techniques of self-care and use supervision and consultation with others to support well-being





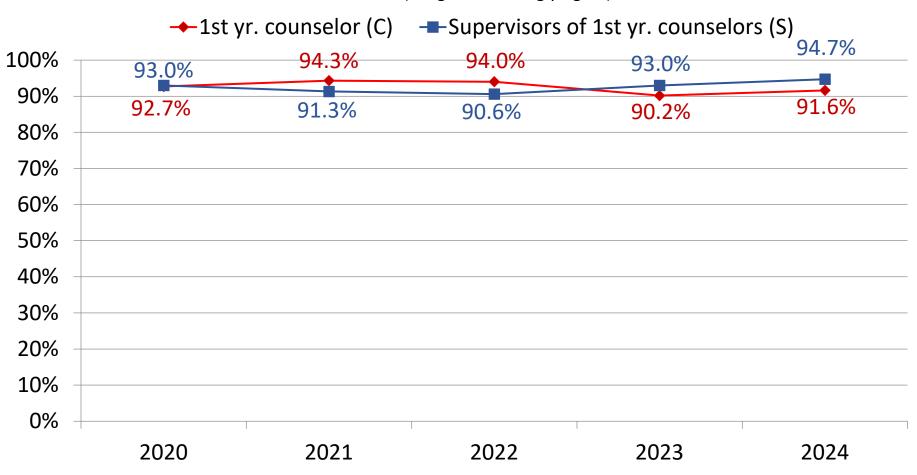
### Use reflection and feedback to develop a professional development plan that supports personal, professional, and program improvement



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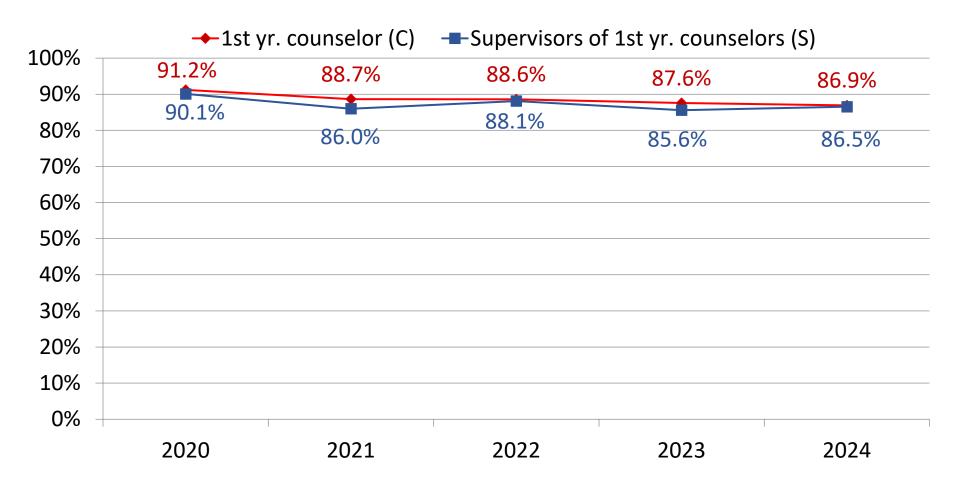
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### Prepared to identify factors that impact student development and apply appropriate advocacy procedures



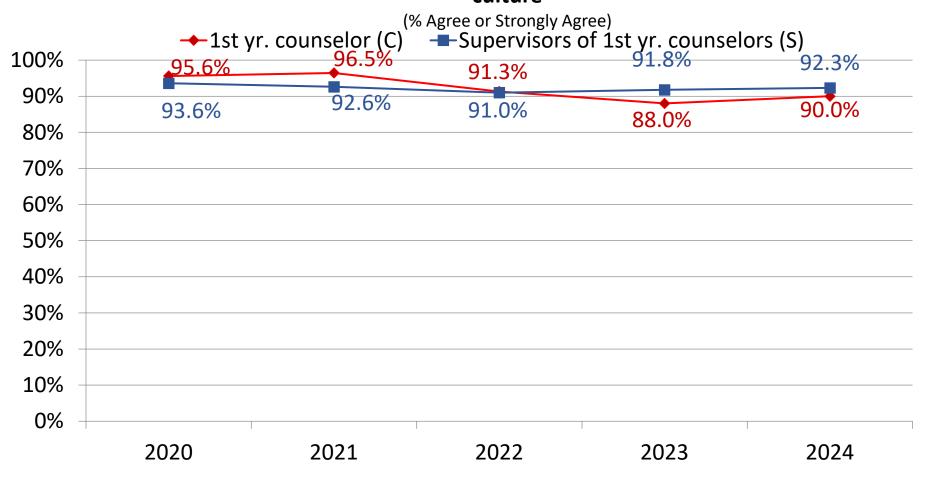


### Use leadership and advocacy strategies for program management, evaluation, and enhancement





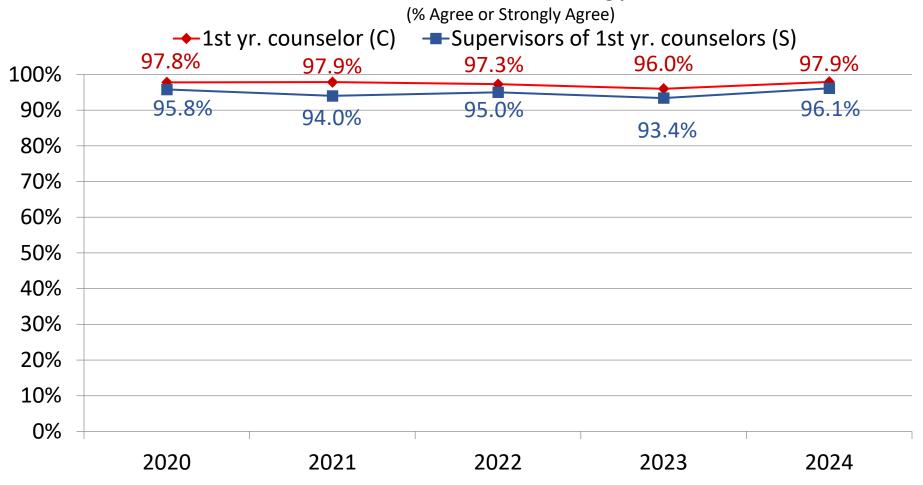
## Prepared to use the comprehensive school counseling program to contribute to the development of a positive and safe school climate and culture



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Practice in accordance with professional ethical standards, seek consultation for ethical decision-making, and communicate with administrators about the ethical standards of the school counseling profession

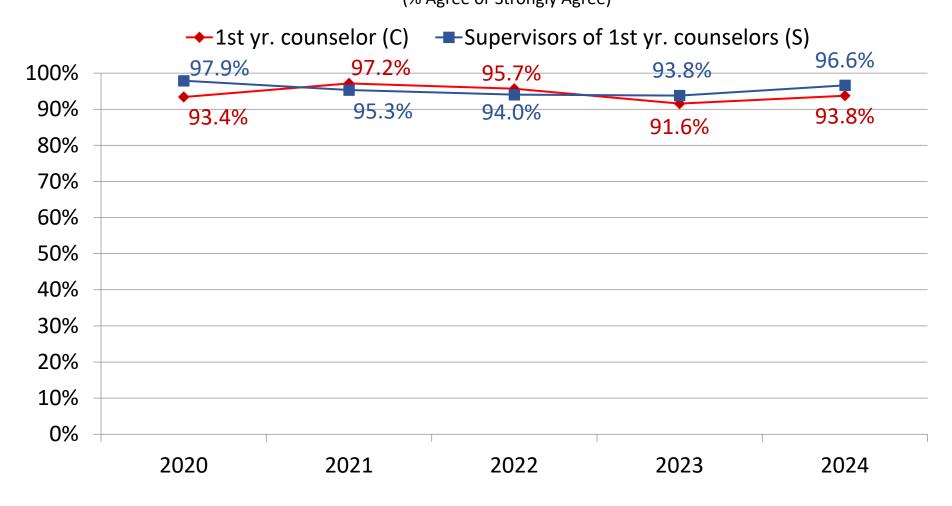


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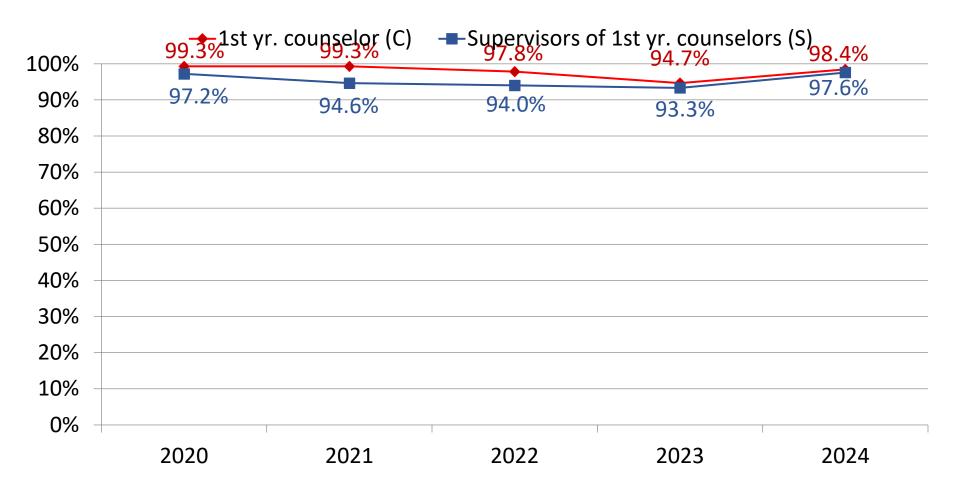
Practice in accordance with school counseling standards, participate in a school counselor mentoring program, and seek consultation to guide practice

(% Agree or Strongly Agree)



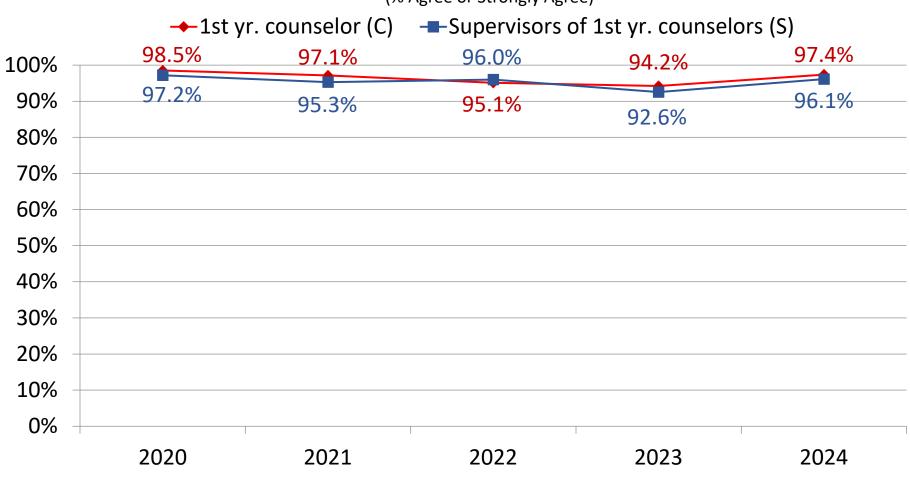


#### Practice in accordance with local school policies and procedures



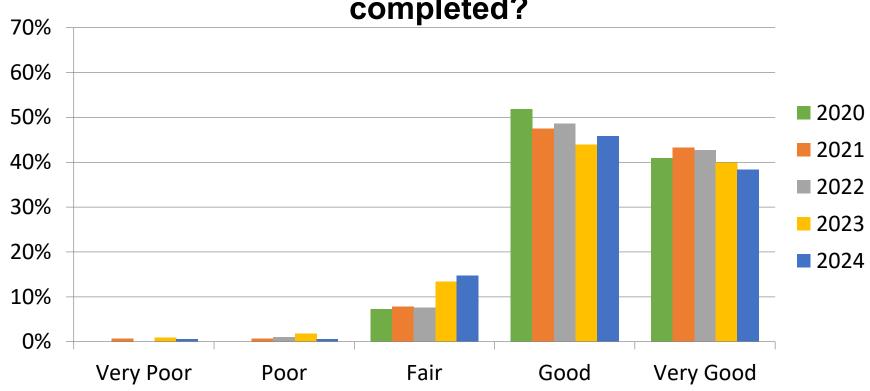


### Practice in accordance with local, state, and federal statutory requirements and is able to demonstrate familiarity with legal resources



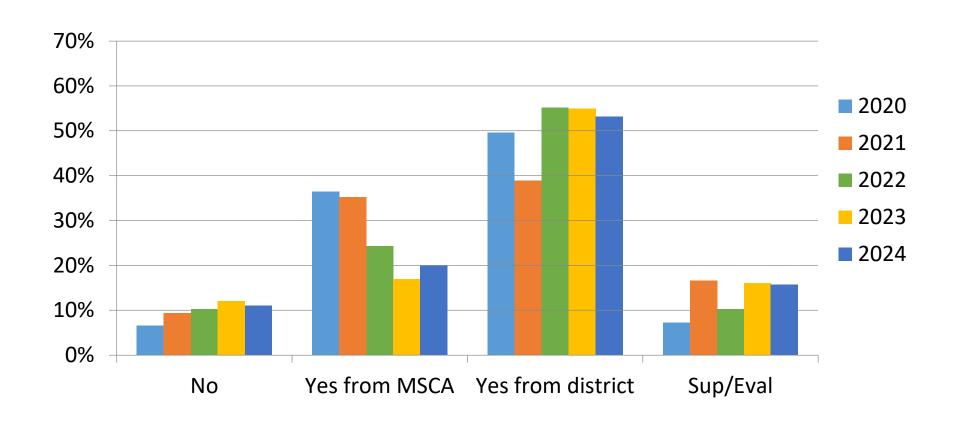


# What overall rating would you give the quality of the counselor preparation program you completed?



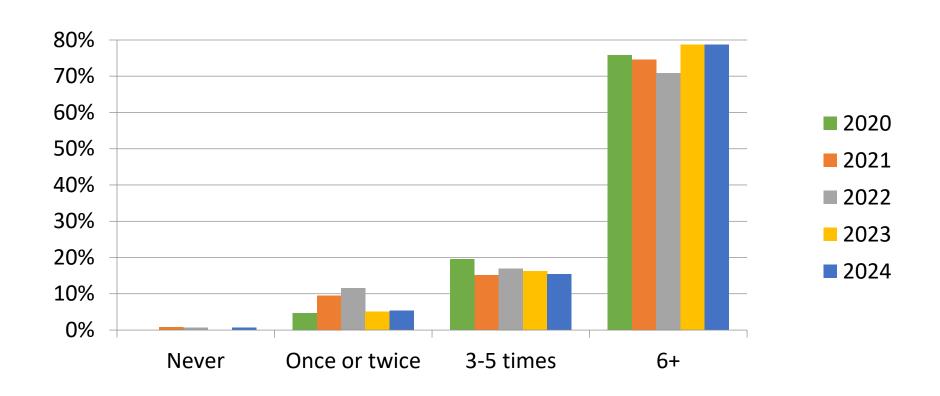


#### Were you assigned a first-year mentor?

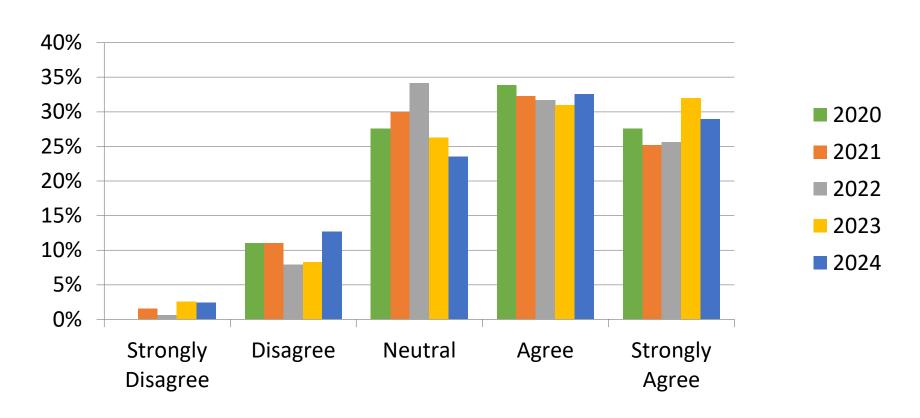




## How often did you meet with your mentor this school year (either formally or informally)?

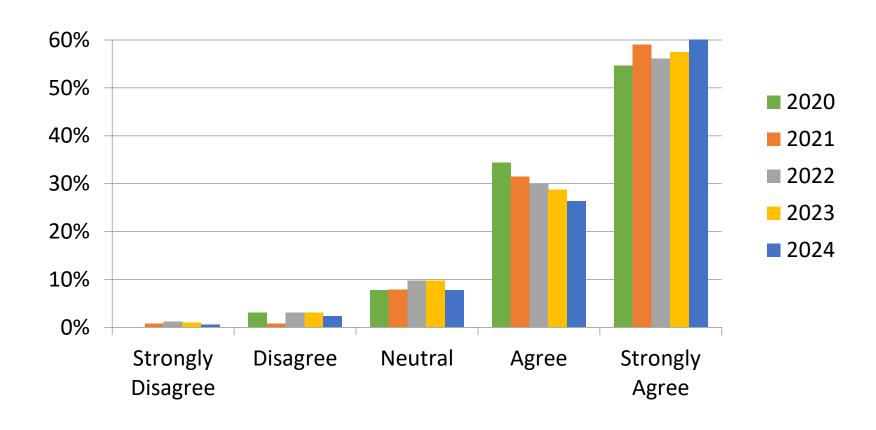


#### The mentoring process is non-evaluative



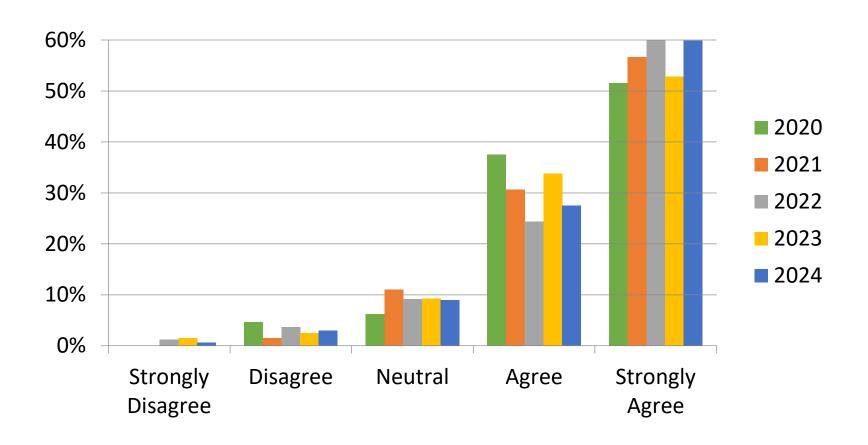


## The support I received from my mentor helped me improve my practice



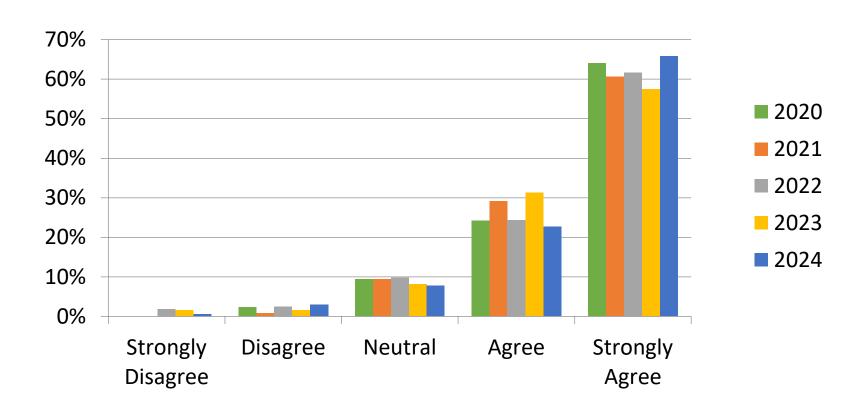


### My mentor provided me with the resources I needed to improve my practice



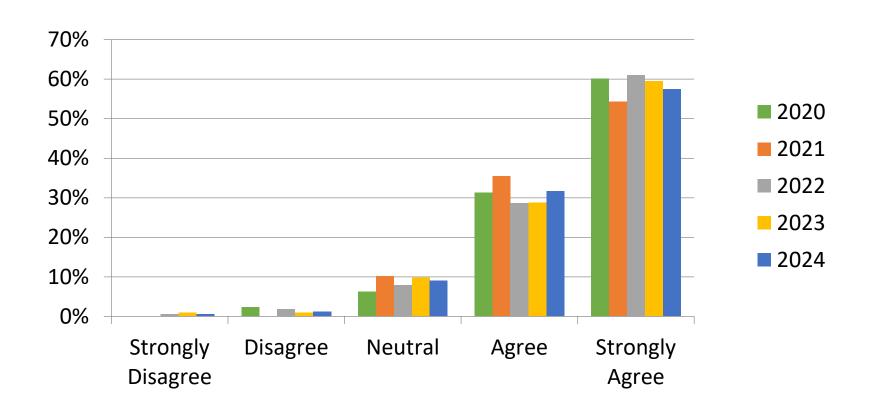


#### My mentor provided me with effective support





### I was prepared to reflect on feedback from my mentor





### Overall quality of the counselor education program completed

(% Good or Very Good) →1st yr. counselors (C) Supervisors of 1st yr. counselors (S) 100% 93.0% 90.8% 90.9% 91.4% 90.0% 90% 92.7% 89.1% 88.7% 80% 84.2% 83.9% 70% 60% 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024



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